

A Midsummer Night's Dream

William Shakespeare

Characters:

Theseus, Duke of Athens – Mark F. Smith
Egeus, father to Hermia; and Snout, a tinker – John Lieder
Lysander, in love with Hermia – mb
Demetrius, in love with Hermia – David O'Connell
Philostrate, master of the revels – Philippa
Quince, a carpenter – Brian Edwards
Snug, a joiner – Elizabeth Klett
Bottom, a weaver – Simon Taylor
Flute, a bellows-mender – David Nicol
Starveling, a tailor – Jessica Miller
Hippolyta, queen of the Amazons – Cori Samuel
Hermia, daughter to Egeus, in love with Lysander – Laurie Anne Walden
Helena, in love with Demetrius – Rosalind Wills
Oberon, king of the fairies – Fr. Richard Zeile of Detroit
Titania, queen of the fairies – Deborah Irving
Puck, or Robin Goodfellow – Karen Savage
Peaseblossom – Larysa Jaworski
Cobweb – Charlene V. Smith
Moth – Alana Jordan
Mustardseed – Jamie Ash Young

Stage directions – Paul Williams
Fairy song composed by Rosalind Wills;
Fairy song performed by Rosalind Wills and Larysa Jaworski
Audio edited by Cori Samuel and Laurie Anne Walden

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1 – Act I – 00:20:02,
2 – Act II – 00:24:16,
3 – Act III – 00:35:49,
4 – Act IV – 00:17:03,
5 – Act V – 00:24:46,

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Magic, fairies, young lovers chasing each other through a forest, a man with a donkey's head, and impish Puck wreaking havoc right and left. What's going on here? It's A Midsummer Night's Dream, Shakespeare at his most fanciful. The play opens with Theseus, Duke of Athens, preparing for his wedding. Egeus complains to Theseus that his daughter Hermia refuses to marry Demetrius. When Hermia is given the choice between marriage to Demetrius or life as a nun, she and her true love Lysander flee into the forest. Demetrius follows them; and Helena, who loves Demetrius, follows him. Also in the forest are Oberon and Titania, king and queen of the fairies, at odds with one another. At Oberon's behest, Puck causes Demetrius to fall in love with Helena — oops, he missed, that was Lysander instead. Mayhem ensues. In the meantime, a group of bumbling craftsmen rehearses a play. Puck gives one of them, Bottom, the head of an ass and makes Titania fall in love with him. Further hilarity results as Bottom sees nothing at all odd about this. Eventually everything is straightened out, Bottom and the rest "perform" their play, there is a triple wedding, and Puck assures us the whole thing has been a dream.

Number of quotes you know: 5 (what fools these mortals be). Useful insults: 19.
Summary by Laurie Anne Walden

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